



PKR president Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim arriving at the International Seminar on Contemporary Islamic Thought and Societal Reforms at the International Islamic University Malaysia in Kuala Lumpur. BERNAMA PIC

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## Anwar: Reshuffle rumour to cause tensions

**KUALA LUMPUR:** Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim has described the rumour of an impending cabinet reshuffle as having been deliberately created and spread by certain quarters to cause tensions in Pakatan Harapan.

The PKR president said Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad had dismissed the claim as "fake news", Bernama reported.

"Tun Dr Mahathir said we need not entertain such rumours.

"Also, (I met (Economic Affairs Minister) Datuk Seri Azmin Ali after his surgery. Everything is good.

"The rumour was deliberately sensationalised to create tensions," Anwar said at the International Seminar on Contemporary Islamic Thought and Societal Reforms at the International Islamic University Malaysia here on Wednesday night.

Anwar was responding to a re-

cent blog post which claimed that Azmin would be appointed deputy prime minister after the Chinese New Year holiday.

The blog also claimed that the rumours were spawned by the fact that Azmin was given many important tasks by Dr Mahathir, including the position of chairman of the Kelantan State Action Council, and a possible role as head of a National Economic Action Council-like body.